

91 **WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1) An annular hose clamp with a pair of overlapping ends, one of said ends being an inner end and the other of said ends being an outer end, said ends overlapping for approximately 25% of the circumference of said clamp with each of said ends having an overlapping portion, comprising

96 a) said outer end having a plurality of toothed indentations on the outer surface of the overlapping portion thereof forming a toothed portion and having a graspable projection extending outwardly therefrom adjacent to said toothed portion,

1) said toothed portion having a width which is reduced relative to the width of the remainder of said clamp,

101 b) said inner end having a locking arrangement thereon overlying at least a portion of said toothed portion with said locking arrangement including

1) an abutting member fixedly carried by said inner end and having a lip portion thereon,
2) a securing member with means pivotally attaching said securing member to said inner end,

106 3) and a locking member including means pivotally connecting said locking member to said securing member and resilient means biasing said locking member relative to said securing member and with said locking member including toothed projections thereon cooperable with said toothed portion on said outer end,

c) said securing member having a first position wherein it abuts said abutting member and said lipped portion on said abutting means secures the abutting relationship, and second position
111 wherein it is spaced from said abutting member, in said first position said toothed projections on

said locking member resiliently engages said toothed portion on said outer end.

D) said graspable portion being movable toward said abutting member to reduce the circumference of said hose clamp and said abutting member being movable to move said lipped portion from said securing member to release said hose clamp.

116 2) A hose clamp according to claim 1 wherein said abutting member includes a pair of spaced legs secured to said inner end and receiving therebetween said toothed portion on said outer end.

3) A hose clamp according to claim 1 wherein said means pivotly attaching said securing member to said inner end includes a pair of pivot members secured to said inner end and receiving therebetween said toothed portion on said outer end, and a pivot pin connecting said securing
121 member to said pivot members.

4) A hose clamp according to claim 3 wherein said abutting member includes a pair of spaced legs secured to said inner end and receiving therebetween said toothed portion on said outer end.

5) A hose clamp according to claim 4 wherein said spaced legs are secured to said inner end adjacent the end thereof and said pivot members are spaced from said legs.